



National Weather Service HAZMAT Support

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“Prepare for the unknown by studying how others in the past have coped with the unforeseeable and the unpredictable.”

- Gen. George S. Patton



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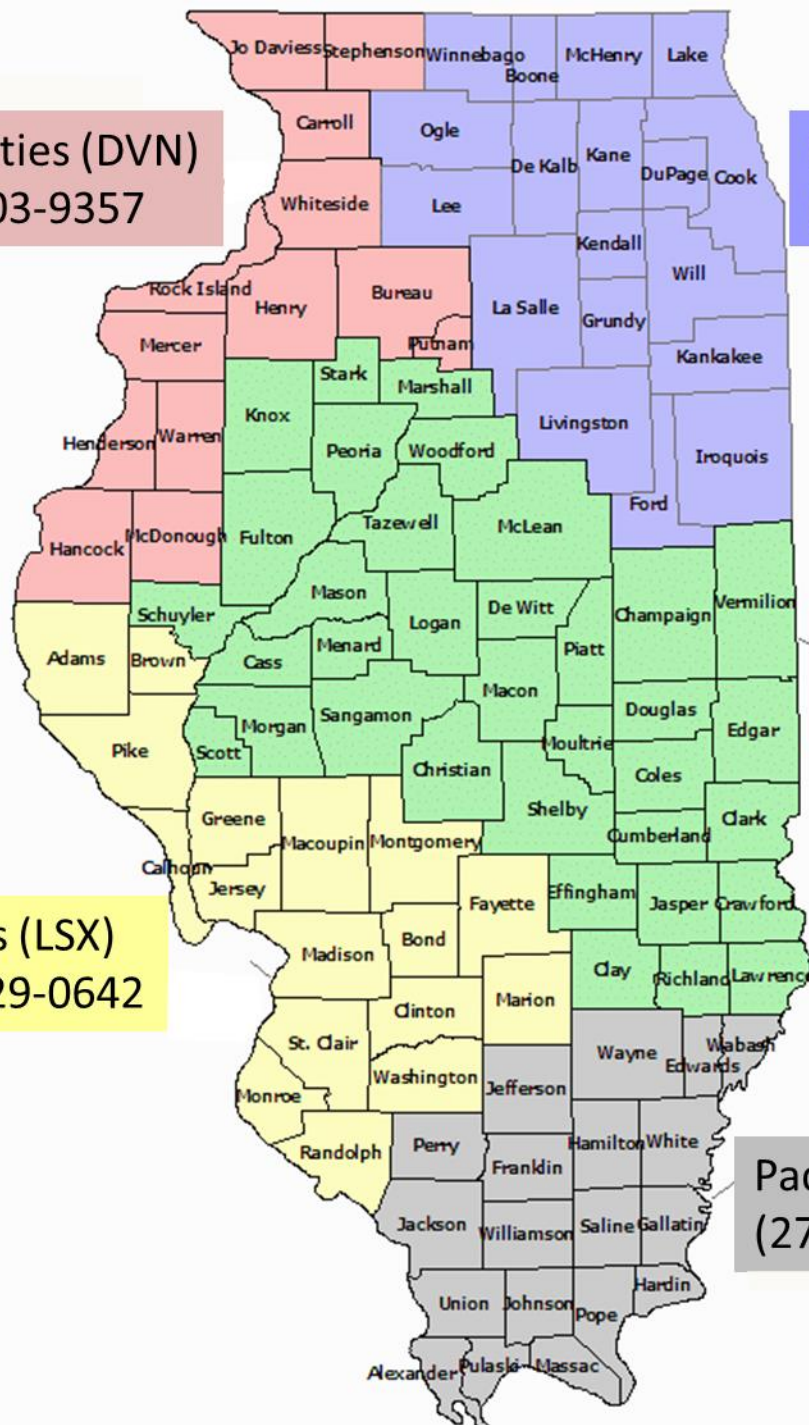
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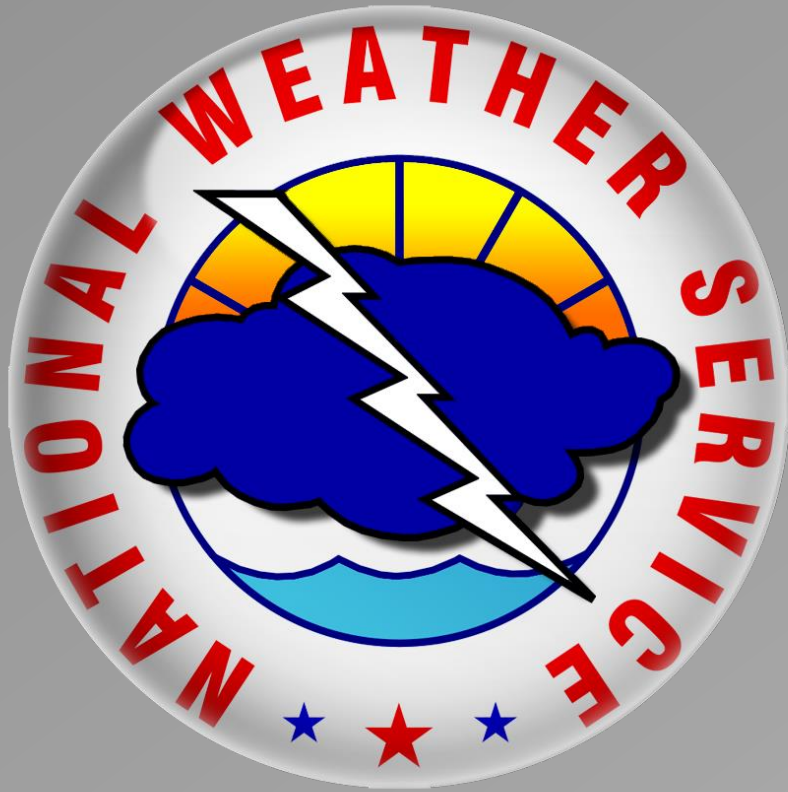
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Standard Operations

Current conditions at

Springfield - Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport (KSPI)

Lat: 39.85°N Lon: 89.68°W Elev: 587ft.



Fair
61°F
16°C

Humidity 81%
Wind Speed Calm
Barometer 30.07 in (1018.0 mb)
Dewpoint 55°F (13°C)
Visibility 10.00 mi
Last update 21 Aug 3:52 am CDT

More Information:

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Extended Forecast for
Springfield IL

Today



Sunny

High: 83 °F

Tonight



Mostly Clear

Low: 58 °F

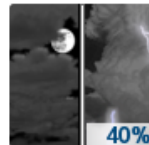
Saturday



Mostly Sunny

High: 83 °F

Saturday Night



Mostly Cloudy
then Chance
T-storms

Low: 66 °F

Sunday



Chance
T-storms

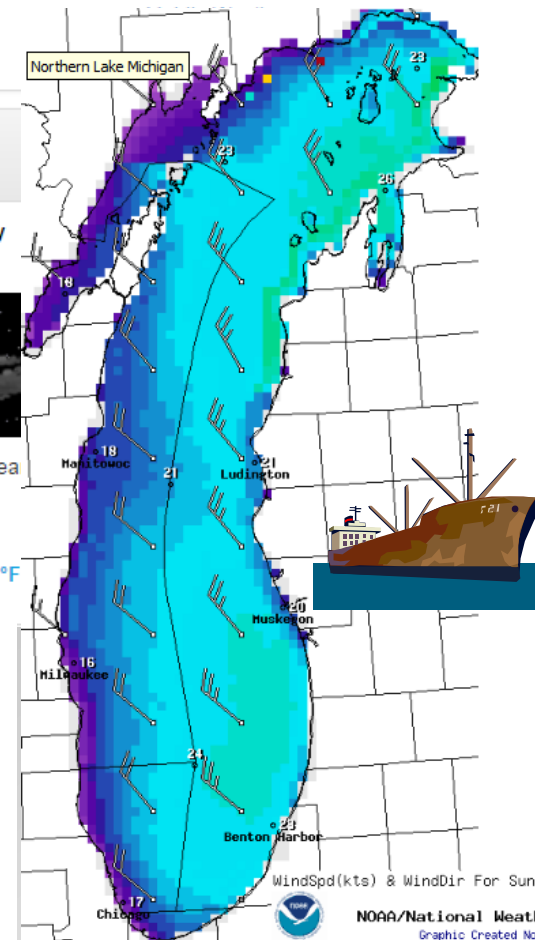
High: 80 °F

Sunday Night



Mostly Clear

Low: 57 °F



WindSpd(kts) & WindDir For Sun Nov 10 2013 10AM EST

NOAA/National Weather Service

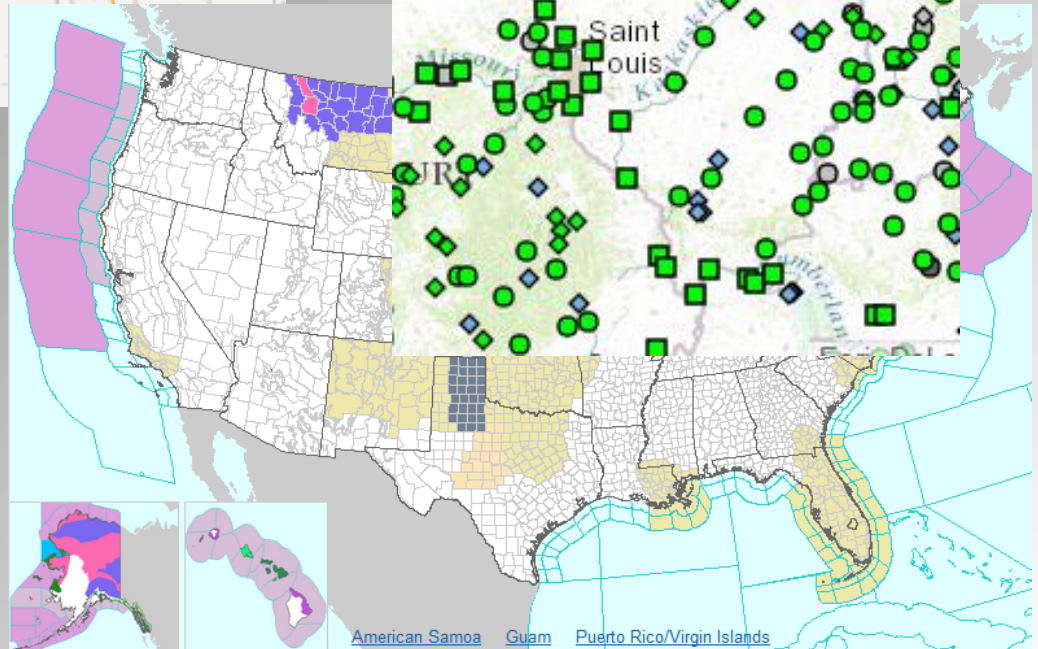
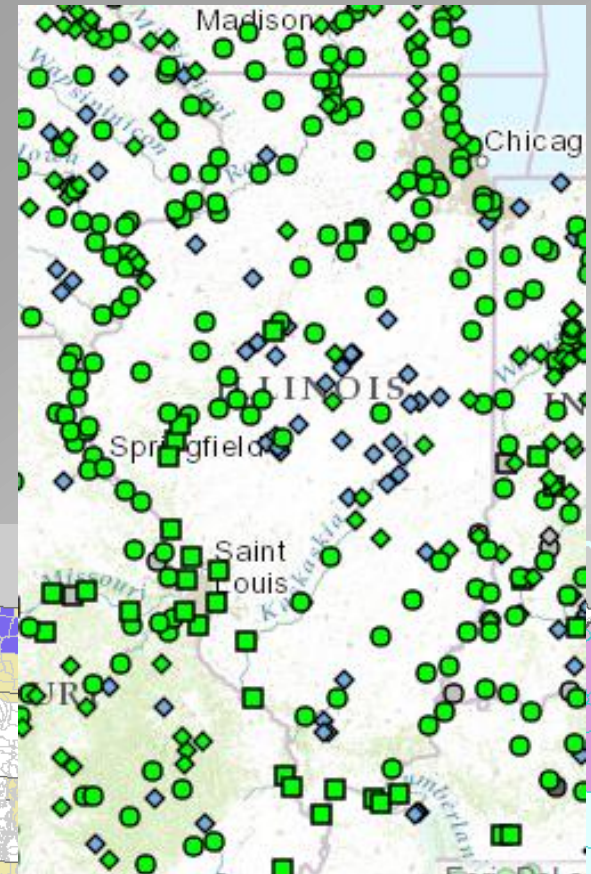
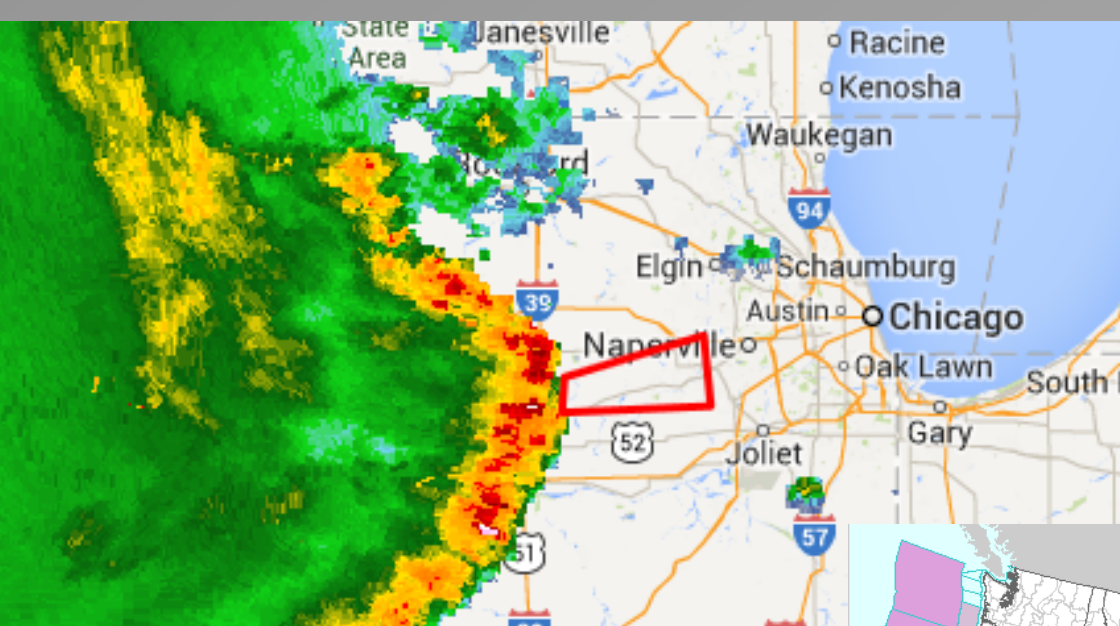
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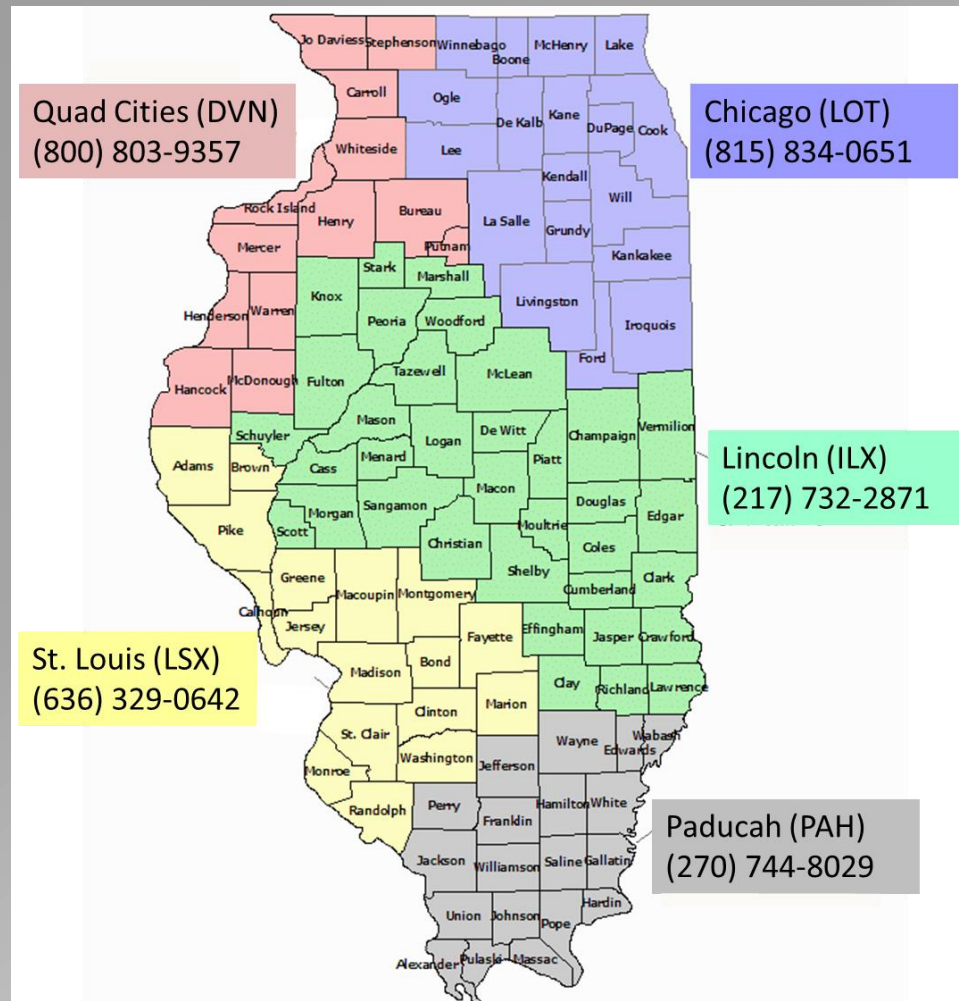
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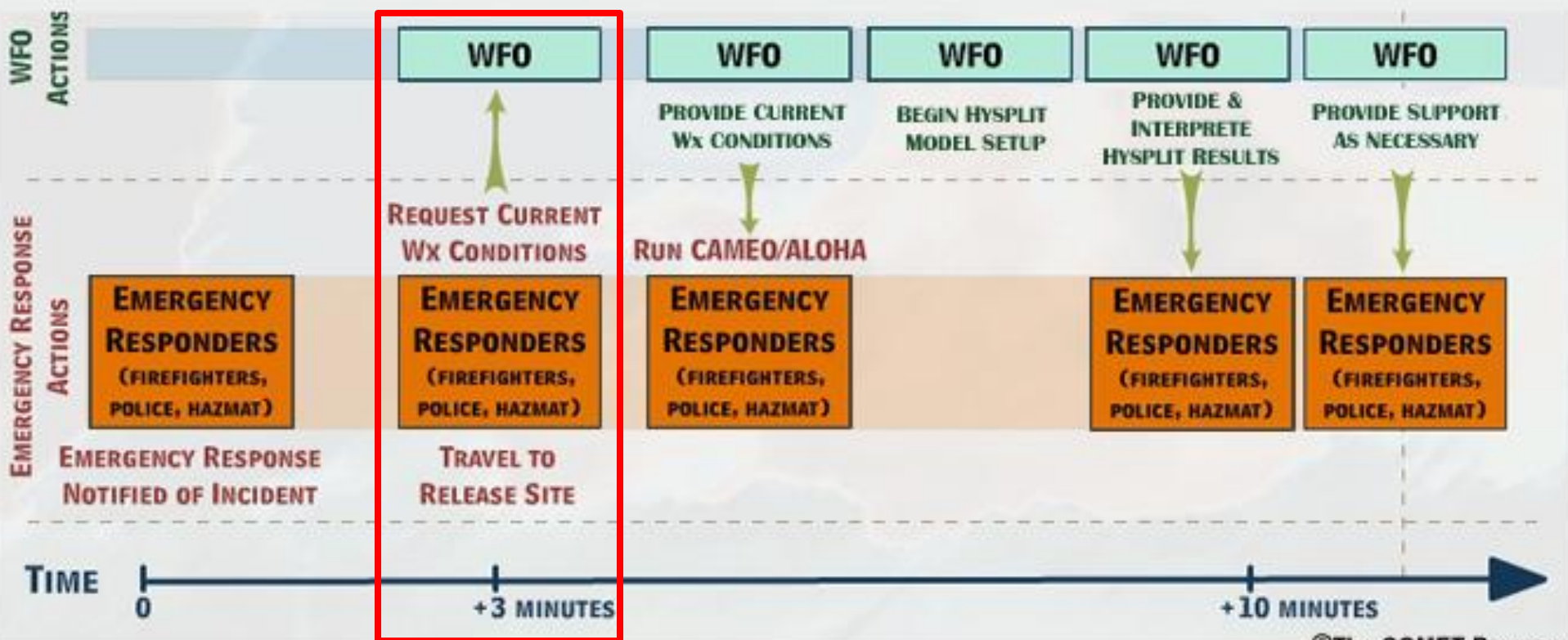
RESPONSE PHASE

In the Event of a HazMat Situation...

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Ideal Time-Response Diagram Showing WFO and Emergency Response Actions



7 Day Narrative

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Heat continues across parts of central, eastern U.S.

Higher-than-normal temperatures will continue across parts of the central and eastern U.S. on Thursday with afternoon highs reaching 20-25 degrees above normal for some locations. One of the warmest areas will be the northern Plains, where high temperatures could reach 100 degrees. Remember to limit time spent outside during excessive heat and take proper precautions to avoid heat-related illness.

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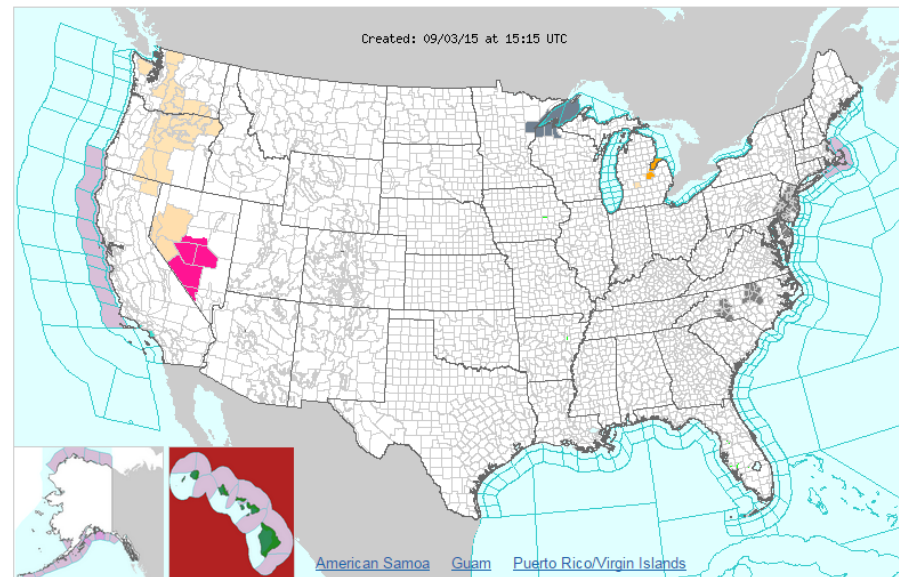
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- Air Quality Alert

Tuesday Night Mostly clear, with a low around 55.
Wednesday Sunny, with a high near 80.
Wednesday Night Mostly clear, with a low around 58.



Hourly Weather Forecasts

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Wednesday Night Mostly clear, with a low around 58.

Thursday Sunny, with a high near 82.

Additional Forecasts and Information

[Zone Area Forecast for Sangamon County, IL](#)

Forecast Discussion	Hourly Weather Graph	Air Quality Forecasts
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Point Forecast: Springfield IL
39.8°N 89.83°W (Elev. 800 ft)

Last Update: 3:12 am CDT Aug 21, 2015

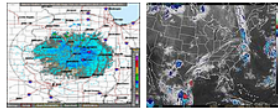
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[Forecast Discussion](#)

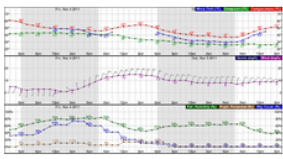
[KML](#) [XML](#)

Additional Resources

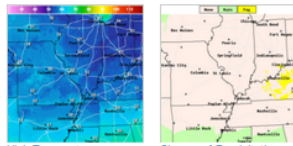
Radar & Satellite Image



Hourly Weather Graph



National Digital Forecast Database




[High Temperature](#) [Chance of Precipitation](#)

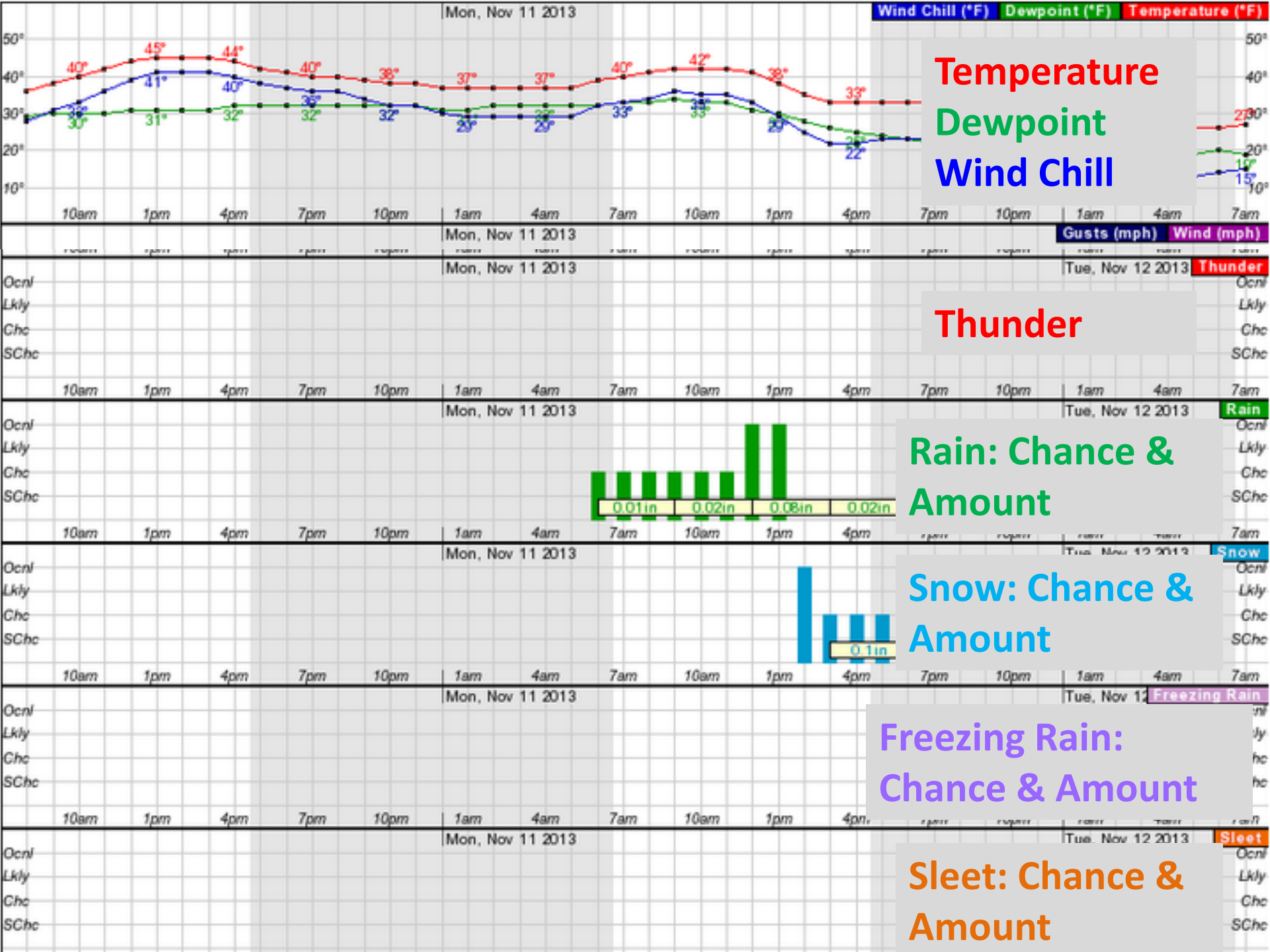
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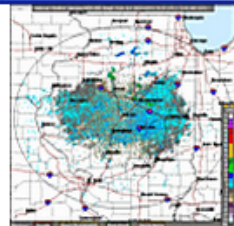
Hourly Weather Graph

Weather Elements	Fire Weather	Probabilistic Forecasts (Experimental) Description Survey
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Thunder <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rain <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Snow <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Freezing Rain <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sleet		

48-Hour Period Starting:

The figure displays two weather charts for August 22, 2015. The top chart shows a rain event on Sunday, August 23, with a peak of 0.07 inches. The bottom chart shows a thunder event on Sunday, August 23, with a peak of 0.07 inches. Both charts include a timeline from 7am to 4am and a legend for Ocnl, Lkly, Chc, and SChc.

Temperature: 58 °F Dewpoint: 55 °F Heat Index: N/A Surface Wind: SE 3mph
Sky Cover (%): 8% Precipitation Potential (%): 0% Relative Humidity (%): 90%
Rain: <10% Thunder: <10%

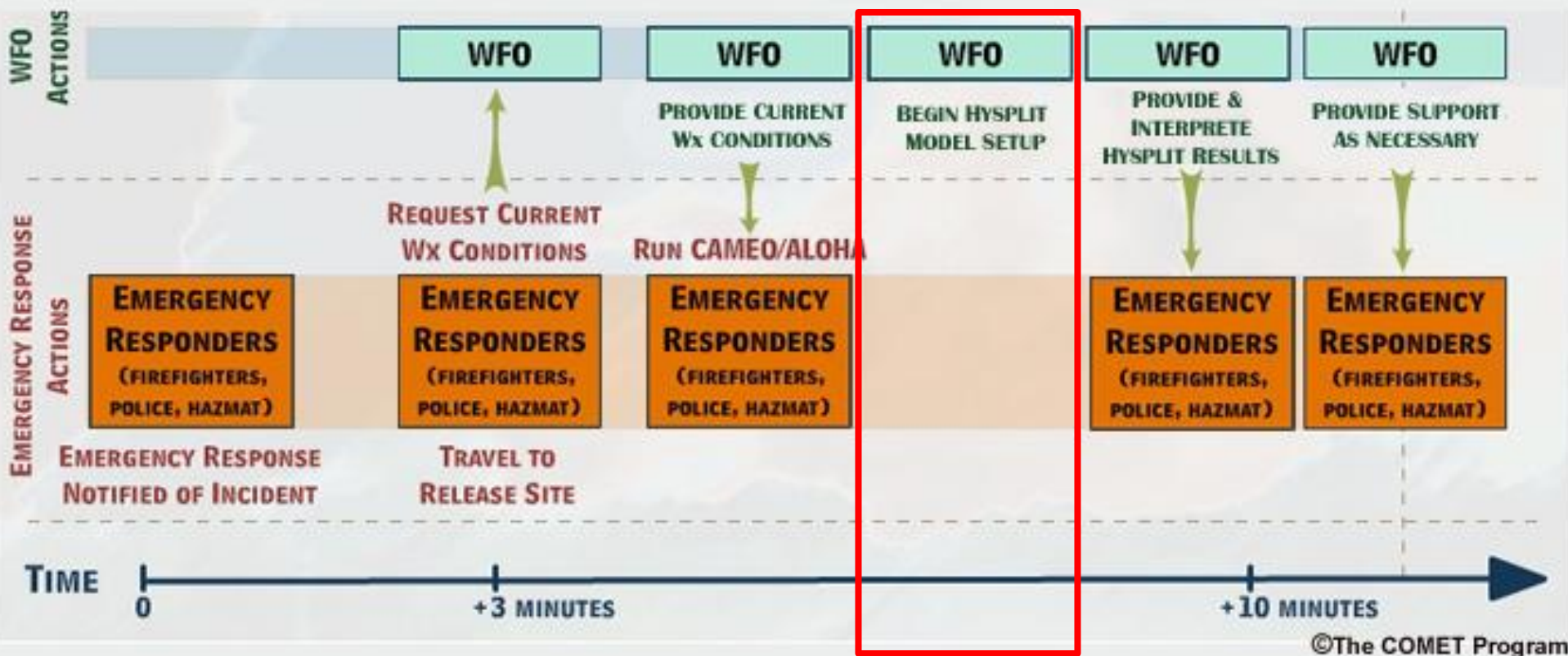


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Hourly Table

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Ideal Time-Response Diagram Showing WFO and Emergency Response Actions



HYSPLIT

- Dispersion modeling for chemical, biological, or radioactive releases
- Estimates air concentration or exposure at locations downwind
- Appropriate for releases:
 - Longer than 1 hour
 - 1 KM above the ground and higher
 - Horizontal extent >10 KM (about 6 Mi)
- Use as a decision aide

HYSPLIT Positives

- **Uses numerical weather prediction models**
 - Terrain resolved by model
 - Weather conditions vary
- **User can edit guidance**
- **New guidance available every 1-6 hours**
- **Complete run available in minutes**
- **Results in GIF, PDF, KMZ (Google Earth), GIS shapefiles**
- **Can incorporate aspects of ALOHA (source strength) into the run IF we know the specific chemical & many other details about the incident**

HYSPLIT Negatives

- **Not intended for dense gases**
- **No source characteristics other than release height and amount**
- **Assumes a steady emission rate**
- **Does not account for byproducts from fires, explosions, or chemical reactions**

HYSPLIT Negatives

- However if we know the chemical and specific source details...
- Not intended for dense gases
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Data We Need from You

- Primary contact (name, phone number, email, preferred method of contact)
- Start time of the release
- Lat/Lon of incident
- Desired duration of model and output intervals
- Size, source, release rate & duration of release (if known)
 - Expected to continue?
 - Puddle, tanker, or pipeline
- Type of chemical (if known)

In Turn, We Will Provide You With...

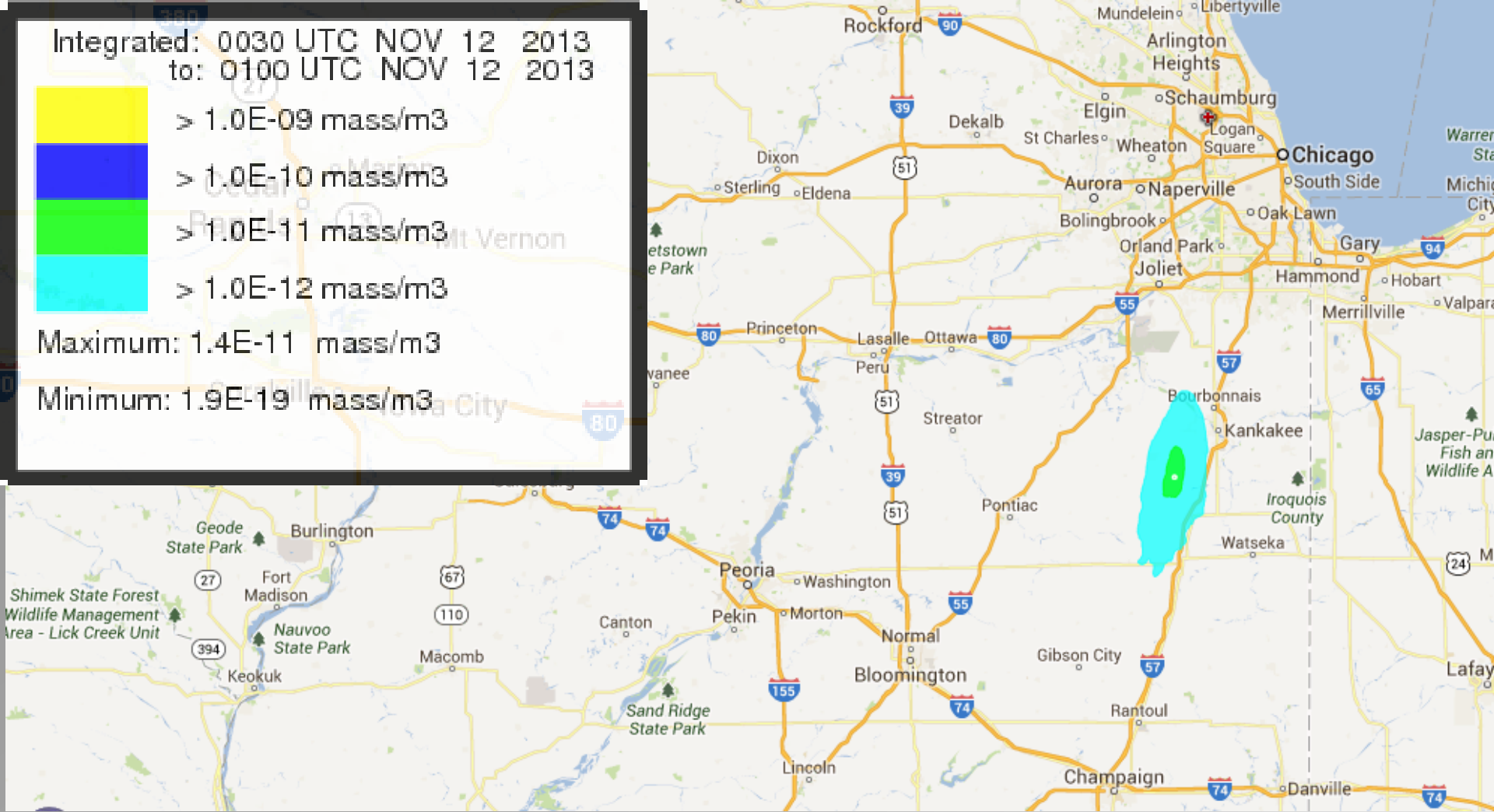
- Dispersion model image output
- Our interpretation of the output
- Possible pitfalls
- Heads up if conditions will change
 - Another HYSPLIT run if necessary
- Our confidence level

Integrated: 0030 UTC NOV 12 2013
to: 0100 UTC NOV 12 2013

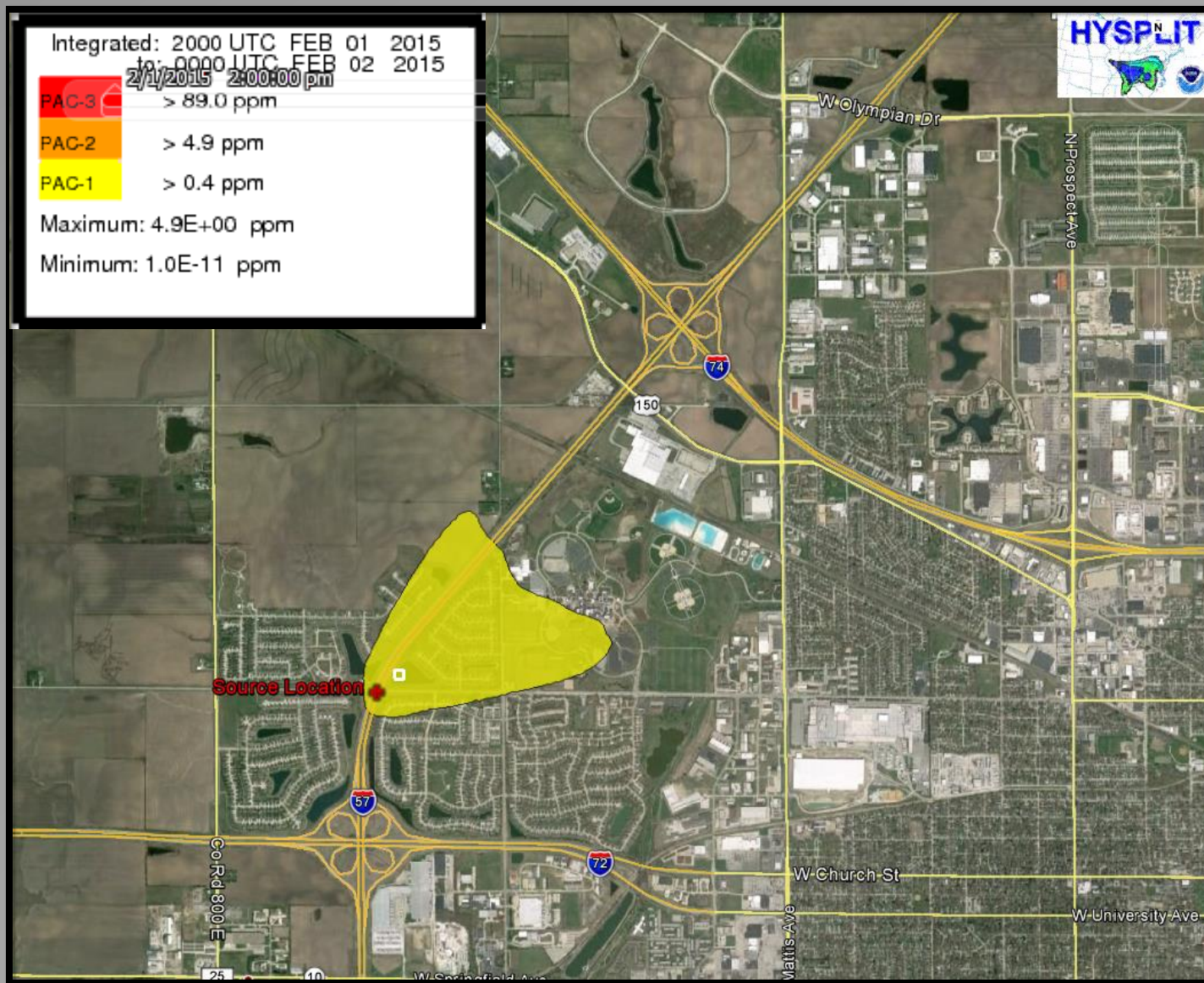


Maximum: $1.4E-11$ mass/m³

Minimum: $1.9E-19$ mass/m³



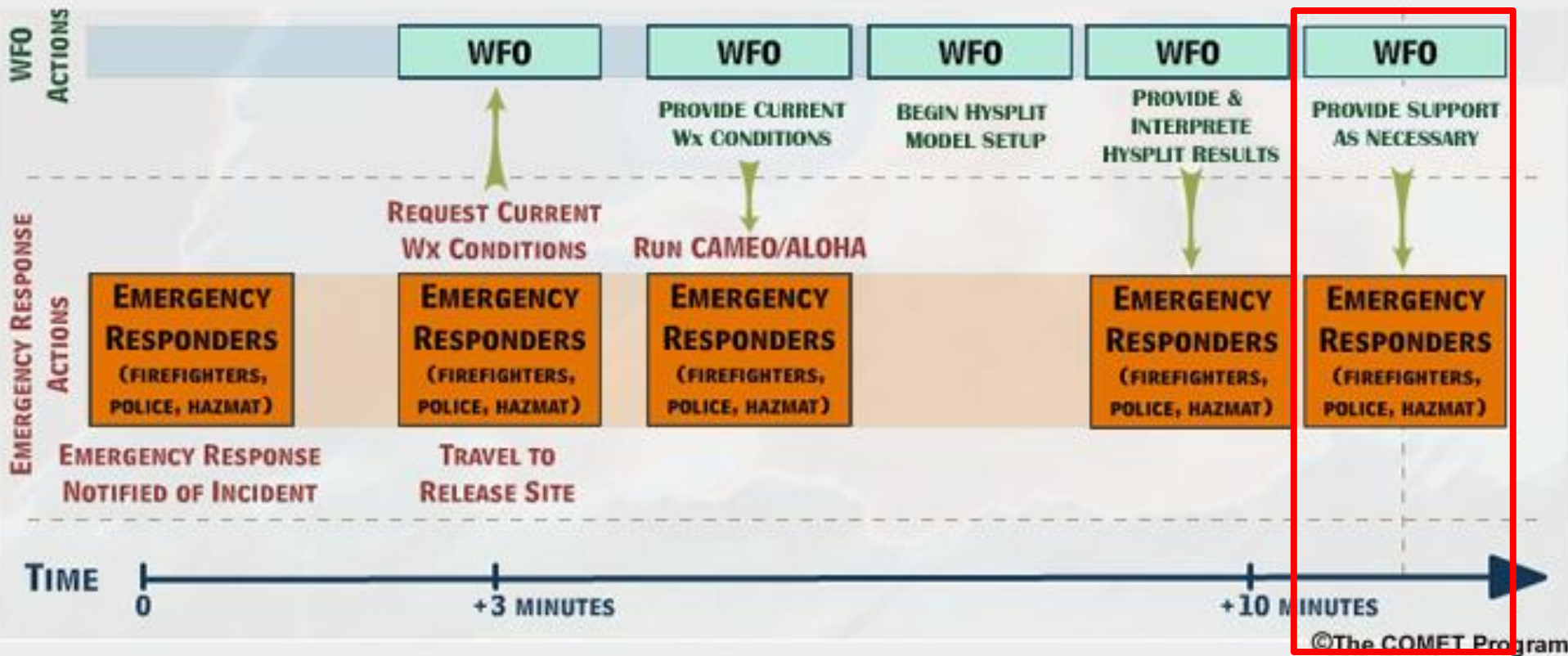
Plume concentrations are factitious unless we can use the specific chemical and emission rate! However, a responder can always use the plume direction and size as a guide.



HYSPLIT/ALOHA Combo Output

with Protective Action Criteria (PAC)

Ideal Time-Response Diagram Showing WFO and Emergency Response Actions



Forecast updates
Additional HYSPLIT runs



HYSPLIT

TRAJECTORY MODEL

Run the model with current data
Run the model with archived data
Get previous model run results



DISPERSION MODEL

Run the model with current data
Run the model with archived data
Get previous model run results

User-entered Observations (More Information)

Create a NEW surface meteorological data file
Create a NEW upper-air meteorological data file ([manual entry](#) or [cut/paste GEMPAK output](#))

Edit a PREVIOUS surface meteorological data file
Edit a PREVIOUS upper-air meteorological data file



Use of HYSPLIT by NWS WFOs for Emergency Decision Support (Tutorial)
Model limitations, Documents & Training Materials
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Other Resource Links
Questions/Comments?

HYSPLIT DEMONSTRATION

**HYSPLIT RUN FOR A RELEASE WHEN
THE CHEMICAL IS KNOWN**

Release Type, Event, Meteorology & Source Location

Release Type:

Chemical

[More info](#) ►

NOTE: You will select the specific chemical later in ALOHA.

Event Type: (optional)

☒ Exercise

☐ Real Event

Hazmat - Transportation

[More info](#) ►

Meteorology:

RAP (18h fcst, 1 hrly, CONUS, pressure)

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☒ Use only the forecast file selected above.

☐ Use only the previously created user-entered data file.

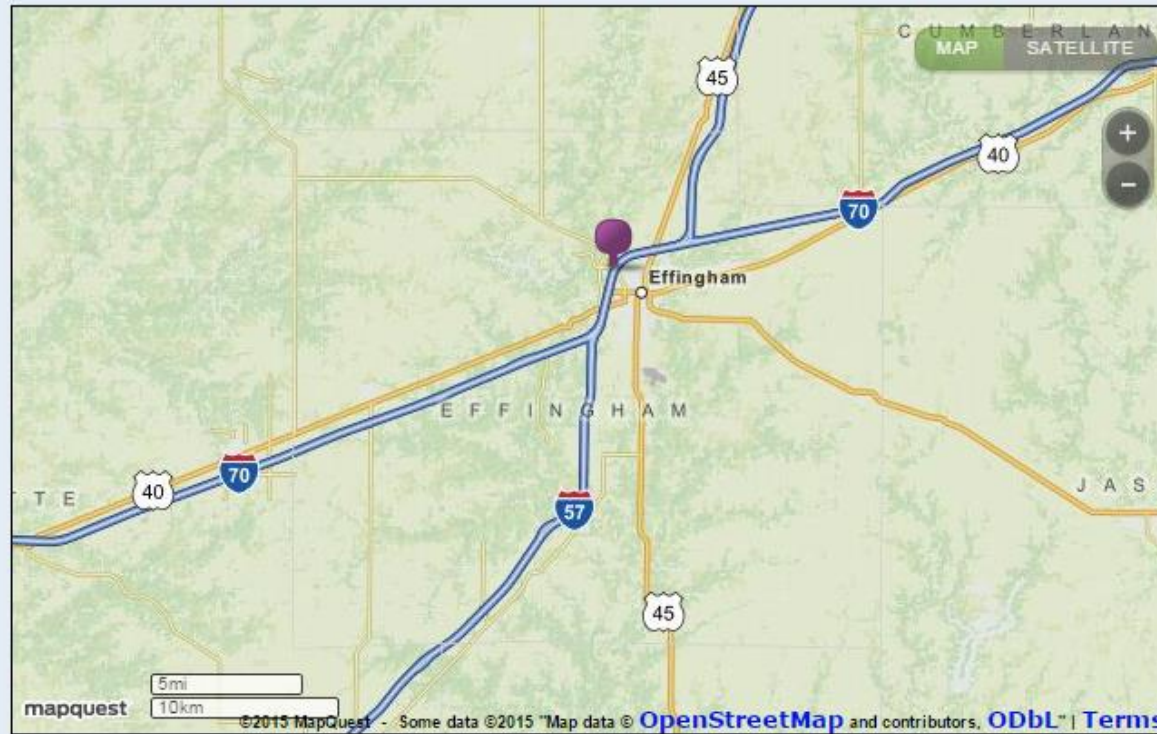
☐ Use both the previously created user-entered data and chosen forecast file.

User-entered data type: ☒ Surface Station ☐ Upper-air Sounding

Source Location (enter using **one** of the following methods):

☒ Decimal Degrees Latitude: 39.1338 N

Longitude: 88.5652 W



Left click to select source location, click anywhere on the page to minimize the map.



HYSPLIT

Event Type: Exercise - Hazmat_Transportation
Release: Chemical
Pollutant: To be selected in ALOHA
Meteorology: RAP 20 km
Source Location: Lat: 39.133800 Lon: -88.565200

Meteorological Data & Output Options

Meteorological Forecast Cycle:

18 UTC / 20150908 ▼

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Advanced Options:

No ▼

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HYSPLIT

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Release Type: Chemical
Source Location: Lat: 39.133800 Lon: -88.565200
Meteorology: RAP 20 km

Source Information

The current RAP 20 km model has archive data beginning at 09/03/15 1800 UTC and 18 hours of forecast data beginning at 09/ 8/15 1800 UTC.

Release starting time (UTC): year month day hour minute [More info](#) ▶
Current time: 19:41 15 09 08 19 0
Source latitude: 39.133800 degrees [More info](#) ▶
Source longitude: -88.565200 degrees (West is negative) [More info](#) ▶

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ALOHA *Source Strength*

Chemical

Source Strength Estimator for Dispersion Models

Chemical Selection

Select by:

Chemical:

Go to the [CAMEO Chemicals Datasheet](#) for CHLORINE to see:

- Physical properties
- Reactivity alerts
- Response recommendations (such as firefighting and protective clothing)
- ERG response guides and initial isolation and protective action distances (if applicable) by clicking on the linked UN/NA number on the datasheet



**Go to CAMEO
Chemicals
Datasheet**

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Release Type

Chemical Information for **CHLORINE**

Molecular Weight: 70.9 g/mol

Ambient Boiling Point: -30.1 °F (-34.5 °C)

Freezing Point: -149.9 °F (-101.0 °C)

Ambient Air Temperature:

93.5 °F (34.2 °C)

CHLORINE is a **gas at the ambient air temperature**.

If you don't know any specifics of the release, assume all of the chemical is released directly into the atmosphere (choose the **Direct source**).

If you know more details, you may be able to use the Tank source or Gas Pipeline source. If the chemical is stored below its ambient boiling point, you may be able to use the Puddle source.

Choose Your Release Type:



Tank

Choose the **Tank source** to model releases of unpressurized liquids, liquefied gases, or pressurized gases from tanks or drums. ALOHA can model leaks that release the chemical directly into the atmosphere, as well as leaks that form an evaporating puddle. [More info...](#)



Puddle

Choose the **Puddle source** to model releases where a puddle has already formed on the ground and is not changing in an area. If liquid is continuing to leak from a tank and spilling into a puddle (so that the puddle's area and volume are increasing) use the Tank source instead. [More info...](#)



Gas Pipeline

Choose the **Gas Pipeline source** to model releases from a leaking gas pipeline; ALOHA can't model the release of liquid from a pipeline. [More info...](#)



Direct

Choose the **Direct source** to model releases directly into the atmosphere. Use this option if you have too little information about a release to use another source option, but you feel that you can make an estimate of the total amount of chemical released into the atmosphere as a gas. [More info...](#)

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ALOHA *Source Strength*

[Chemical](#) > [Release Type](#) > Tank Description

Tank Description

Enter basic settings about the tank that is leaking. [More info about the tank source...](#) ▶

Tank Type and Size

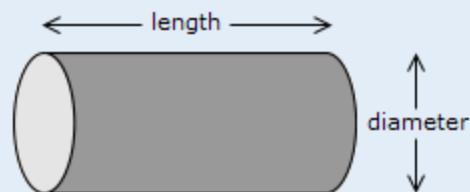
Tank Type: horizontal cylinder ▼

Tank Size: **enter any two values** [More info...](#) ▶

Diameter: ▼

Length: ▼

Volume: ▼



Chemical Storage Temperature Inside of Tank

▼

Storage Temperature: ▼ [More info...](#) ▶

Ambient Air Temperature:
93.5 °F (34.2 °C)

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ALOHA *Source Strength*

[Chemical](#) > [Release Type](#) > [Tank Description](#) > [Chemical Mass](#)

Mass of Chemical in Tank

Enter information about the amount of chemical in the leaking tank.

Mass of Chemical in Tank

Specify by:

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Liquid Level in Tank: percent full (by volume)

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ALOHA *Source Strength*

[Chemical](#) > [Release Type](#) > [Tank Description](#) > [Chemical Mass](#) > [Tank Opening](#)

Tank Opening

Enter details about the tank opening out of which the chemical is leaking.

Dimensions of Opening in Tank

Shape of Opening:

Opening Size: [More info...](#)

Diameter:



Type of Leak

Leak Type:

[More info...](#)

Height of Leak

Bottom of Leak:

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ALOHA Source Strength Summary

Source Strength Summary

Release scenario is a nonflammable chemical that escaped from a tank as an aerosol.

Tank Description

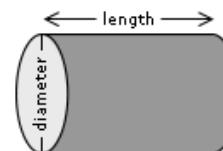
Tank Type: horizontal cylinder

Tank Diameter: 6.0 feet (*calculated*)

Tank Length: 42 feet

Tank Volume: 9000 gallons

Chemical Storage Temperature Inside of Tank: ambient air temperature (93.5 °F)



Mass of Volume in Tank

Mass Value Specified by: liquid level in tank (percentage full by volume)

Liquid Level: tank is 90% full by volume

State of Chemical in Tank: tank contains liquid

Mass of Chemical in Tank: 92,532 lbs (*calculated*)

Tank Opening

Shape of Opening in Tank: circular opening

Opening Diameter: 9 inches

Leak Type: hole

Height of Leak: bottom of opening is 2 feet above the bottom of the tank



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Meteorology Forecast File: NAF 20.kml

Meteorology Forecast Cycle: 18 UTC / Sep 8, 2015

Release Start Time: 07:00 PM (UTC) / September 08, 2015 (1900 UTC / September 08, 2015)

Release Location: (Lat: 39.133800; Lon: -88.565200)

The following information was extracted from the forecast file at the release start time in order to run ALOHA:

Wind: 17.1 miles per hour (7.6 meters per second) from SW

Ambient Air Temperature: 93.5 °F (34.2 °C)

Cloud Cover: *data unavailable*

Stability Class: B

Event Type: Exercise - Hazmat_Transportation
Release: Chemical CHLORINE
Source Location: Lat: 39.133800 Lon: -88.565200
Meteorology: RAP 20 km

Model Run Details

Runtime Parameters

Total duration: hour(s)

[More info](#) ▶

Output Parameters

Levels of Concern (LOCs):

- ☒ **AEGLs (recommended) - Acute Exposure Guideline Levels**
AEGL-3: 20 ppm AEGL-2: 2 ppm AEGL-1: 0.5 ppm
- ☐ **ERPGs - Emergency Response Planning Guidelines**
ERPG-3: 20 ppm ERPG-2: 3 ppm ERPG-1: 1 ppm
- ☐ **PACs - Protective Action Criteria**
PAC-3: 20 ppm PAC-2: 2 ppm PAC-1: 0.5 ppm
- ☐ **User Entered Thresholds (ppm)**
LOC-3: LOC-2: LOC-1:

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Display all values above zero? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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GIS output of contours? ☒ Google Earth (kmz) ☐ GIS Shapefiles

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The following options apply only to the GIF, PDF, and PS results (not Google Earth)

Plot resolution (dpi):

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Zoom factor:

[More info](#) ▶

Distance circle overlay: ☒ None ☐ Auto ☐ 4 circles km apart

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U.S. county borders? ☒ Yes ☐ No

[More info](#) ▶

Postscript file? ☐ Yes ☒ No

[More info](#) ▶

Create PDF file of graphics? ☒ Yes ☐ No

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☒ Legend

Lat= 39.2120 Lng= -88.3950

☐ Ring Options

☐ Plume Options

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AEGL-3 > 20.0 ppm

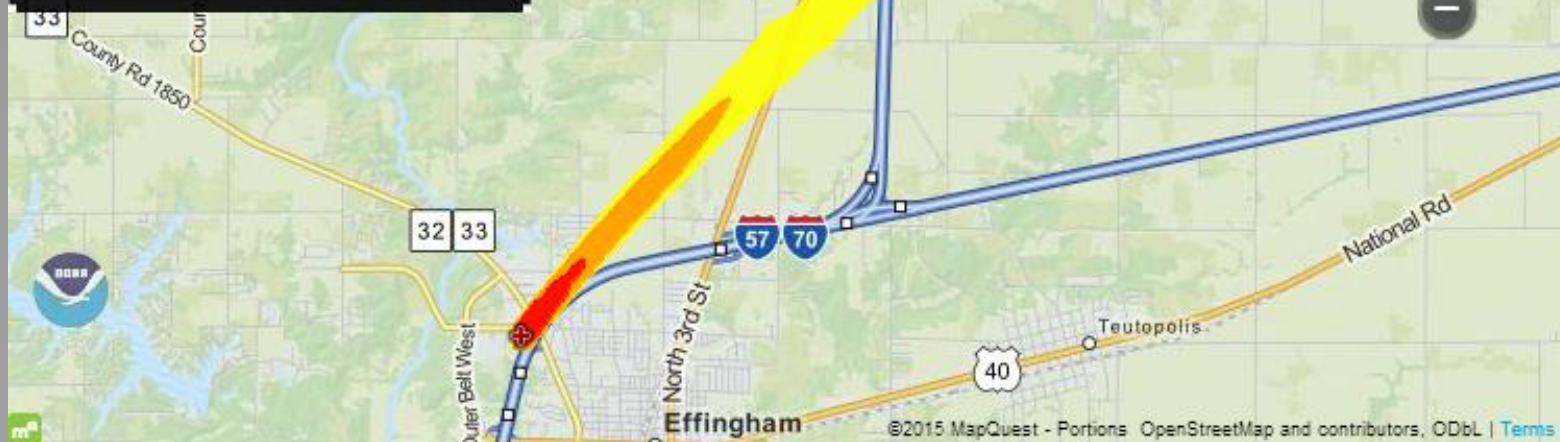
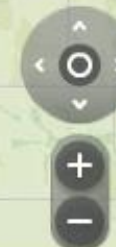
AEGL-2 > 2.0 ppm

AEGL-1 > 0.5 ppm

Maximum: 2.0E+02 ppm

Minimum: 7.4E-12 ppm

MAP SATELLITE



Metadata

Concentration

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**HYSPLIT RUN FOR A RELEASE WHEN
THE CHEMICAL IS UNKNOWN**

Release Type, Event, Meteorology & Source Location

Release Type:

Unknown Material (Generic Mass, < 24 hrs) ▼

[More info](#) ►

Event Type: (optional)

☒ Exercise ☐ Real Event Hazmat - Transportation ▼

[More info](#) ►

Meteorology:

RAP (18h fcst, 1 hrly, CONUS, pressure) ▼

[More info](#) ►

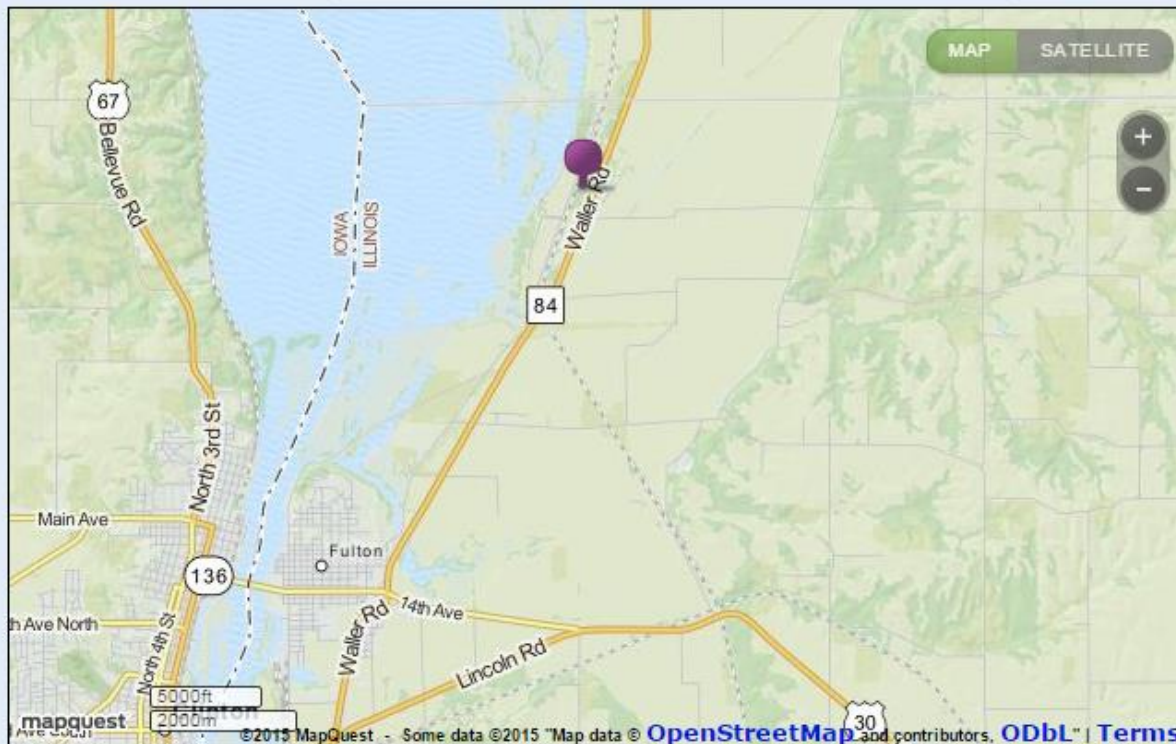
[View Current NAM Fire Weather Domains](#)

- ☒ Use only the forecast file selected above.
- ☐ Use only the previously created user-entered data file.
- ☐ Use both the previously created user-entered data and chosen forecast file.
- User-entered data type: ☒ Surface Station ☐ Upper-air Sounding

Source Location (enter using **one** of the following methods):

☒ Decimal Degrees Latitude: 41.9197 N ▼

Longitude: 90.1109 W ▼



Left click to select source location, click anywhere on the page to minimize the map.



HYSPLIT

Event Type: Exercise - Hazmat_Transportation
Release: Unknown
Pollutant: Unknown
Meteorology: RAP 20 km
Source Location: Lat: 41.919700 Lon: -90.110900

Meteorological Data & Output Options

Meteorological Forecast Cycle: 18 UTC / 20150908 ▼

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Deposition: No ▼

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Advanced Options: No ▼

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Web site owner: Air Resources Laboratory, NOAA's Office of Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

US Government main portal: [USA.gov](#)

Event Type: Exercise - Hazmat_Transportation
Release: Unknown
Source Location: Lat: 41.919700 Lon: -90.110900
Source Term: User Entered - 1 mass
Meteorology: RAP 20 km
Output: Concentration/deposition

Model Run Details

The current RAP 20 km model has archive data beginning at 09/03/15 1800 UTC and 18 hours of forecast data beginning at 09/ 8/15 1800 UTC.

Source Term Parameters

Release starting time (UTC): year month day hour minute [More info ▶](#)
Current time: 20:08 15 09 08 19 25

Source latitude: 41.919700 degrees [More info ▶](#)

Source longitude: -90.110900 degrees (West is negative) [More info ▶](#)

Release top: 50 meters AGL [More info ▶](#)

Release bottom: 0 meters AGL [More info ▶](#)

Release quantity: 1 mass [More info ▶](#)

Release duration: 6 hour(s) 0 minutes [More info ▶](#)

} Defaults for “worst case” scenario

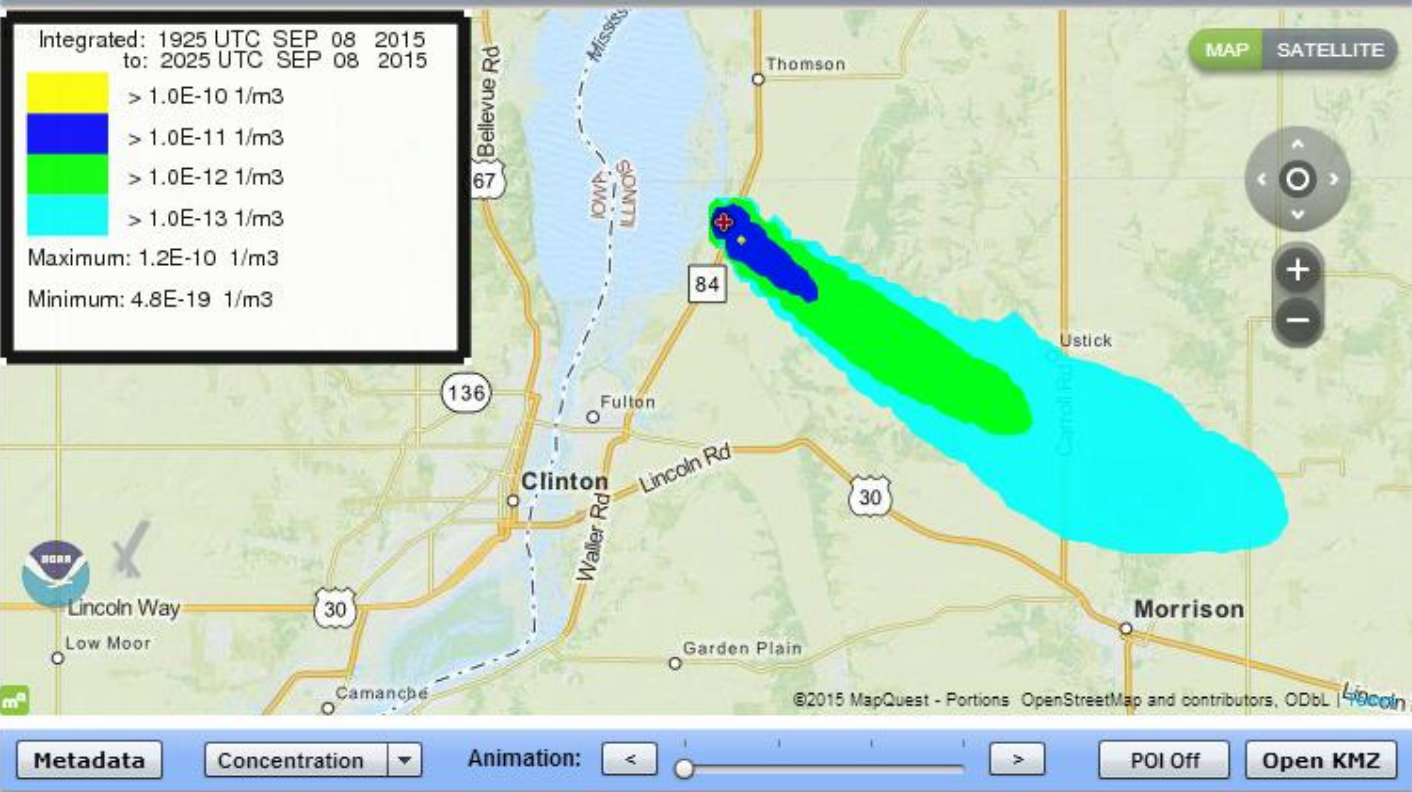
Runtime Parameters

Total duration: 4 hour(s) [More info ▶](#)

Averaging period/Output interval: 1 hour(s) [More info ▶](#)

Top of averaged layer: 100 meters AGL (should be $\geq 100\text{m}$) [More info ▶](#)

} Default



MORE RESULTS	Click on text link or dropdown menu to view images in a new window.					
	GIF Plots	Animated GIF Plots	PDF Plots	Google Earth	Flash Maps	
Concentration Grid 1	-- ▾	.gif	Java	.pdf	.kmz	.kmz
Particle Positions	-- ▾	.gif	Java	.pdf	.kmz	-
Time of Arrival	.gif	-	-	.pdf	.kmz	.kmz

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DISSEMINATION PHASE

Non-Weather Emergency Messages

- Messages used to alert the general public about various emergencies and hazards
- Applicable for the full spectrum of emergencies
- Works at local, state, regional, and national levels



Non-Weather Emergency Messages

- Message distributed via Emergency Alert System:
 - NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards – NWS entry point
 - Media distribution

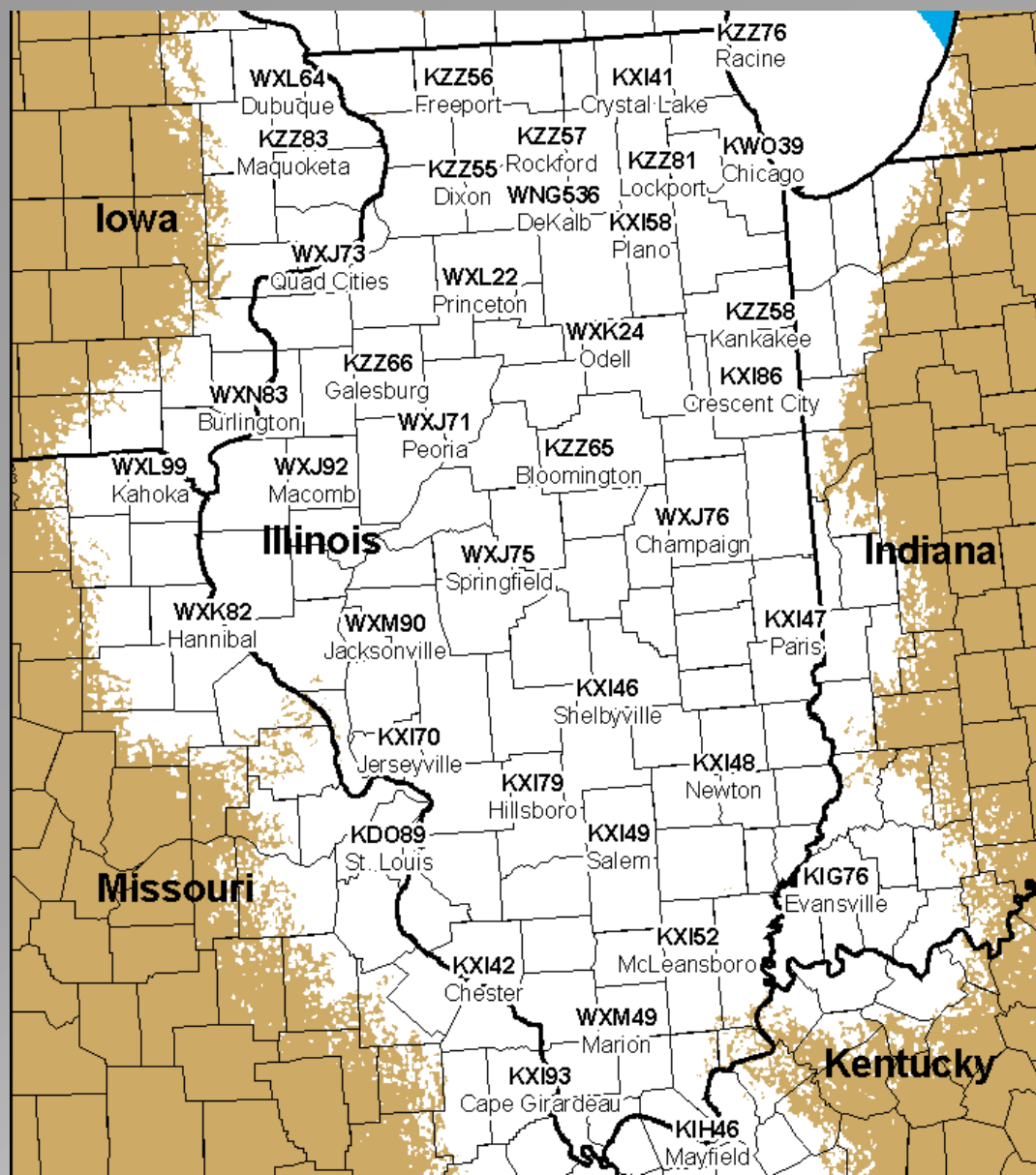


NOAA Weather Radio/EAS Activation

- Public safety is involved
- Official Information
- Time Critical
- No other means of disseminating the information rapidly
- Information length and format is consistent with other NWR broadcast material
- Information should be non-routine and infrequent



Weather Radio - All Hazards



NWR Message Options

- Evacuation Notice
- Hazardous Material Warning
- Local Area Emergency
- Law Enforcement Warning
- 9-1-1 Telephone Outage Emergency
- Nuclear Power Plant Warning
- Radiological Hazard Warning
- Shelter in Place Warning

We need the message from an official
source



Integrated Public Alert & Warning System

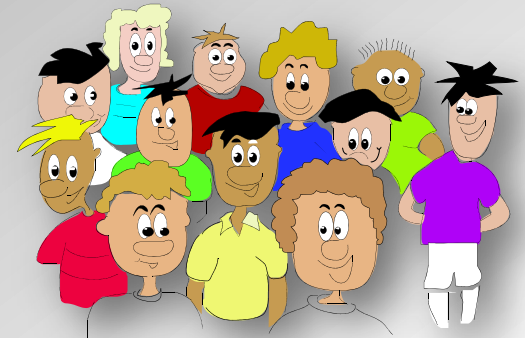
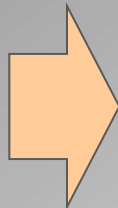
<http://www.fema.gov/integrated-public-alert-warning-system>

- County EMs and state agencies can send NWEMs
- EM must take training and purchase software
- Messages go through Wireless Emergency Alerts
- Activates EAS to get the alerts out through TV and radio
- Does not go to NWR automatically!

HAZCollect

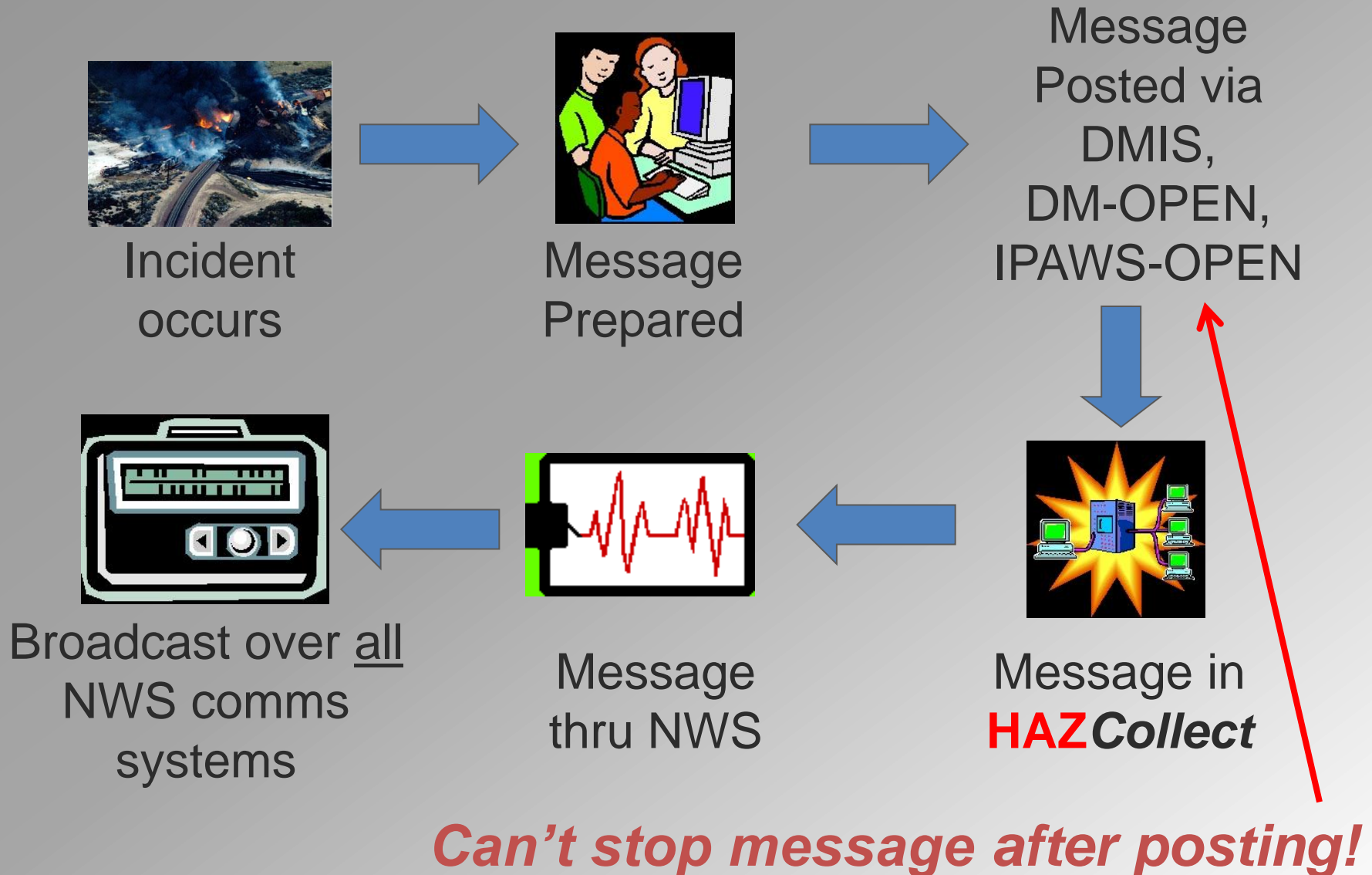
www.weather.gov/os/hazcollect

- An all-hazards, automated, emergency message collection system
- A NWS program developed and implemented in collaboration with FEMA / DHS
- An optional method to disseminate Non-Weather Emergency Messages (NWEMs)
- Integrates with EAS
- Uses Common Alerting Protocol (CAP)



HAZCollect
speeding emergency messages to the public

HAZCollect Process



HAZCollect References

weather.gov/os/hazcollect

- Registration overview
- Training links
- Resources (documents, links, presentation)

<http://www.fema.gov/integrated-public-alert-warning-system>

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NWEM Distribution

- Three methods
 - Manual contact with NWS
 - Local/state EAS arrangements
 - **HAZCollect** (computer based)



Recap

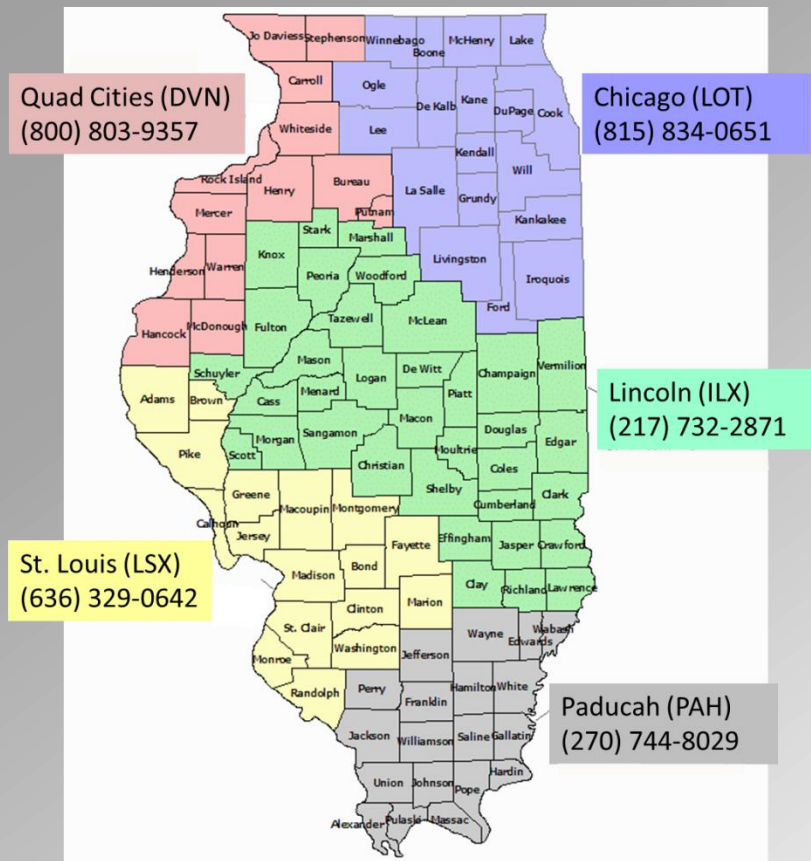
- We can provide weather & dissemination support
 - Current & future conditions
 - Dispersion model results
 - Weather Radio
- BUT we don't know what we don't know
 - What is happening
 - Who to contact
 - Your needs
 - How to get information to you

NWS

<http://www.weather.gov/>



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“There's no harm in
hoping for the best as
long as you're prepared
for the worst.”

— Stephen King



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